

OBITUARY

KENDALL SIEBERT TESH

ON Wednesday, August 9, preparatory to giving an examination to one of his classes, Kendall Siebert Tesh died suddenly at his desk in the department of chemistry of the University of Pittsburgh, where he began teaching as an assistant in his senior year in 1917. He obtained the B.S. degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1918, the M.S. degree in 1921, and the Ph.D. degree in 1924. As an undergraduate he served three years as secretary in the department of chemistry, earning his education. He was graduate assistant from 1917 to 1918. From April, 1918, to January, 1919, he was at Camp Custer, Michigan, and Camp Zachary Taylor, Kentucky. He held the title of Second Lieutenant in the Field Artillery in World War I. Upon his return to the university, he was advanced to an instructorship. In 1926 he became assistant professor, and in 1928, upon obtaining his professorship, he was made head of the Uniontown Center of the university. In 1933, when this center was closed, he transferred to the headship of the Johnstown Center, returning to the department of chemistry in 1936 as professor of chemistry. Early during his teaching career, he was granted a year's leave of absence to engage in research in spectroscopy on a fellowship under Dr. B. S. Hopkins, of the University of Illinois.

Dr. Tesh was a member of Alpha Chi Sigma fraternity, Phi Lambda Upsilon, Epsilon Chi and Sigma Xi honorary fraternities. He was also a member of the American Chemical Society and the American Association of University Professors. He was a past president of the Faculty Club of the University of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Tesh is survived by his wife, Flora Hitzfeld Tesh; a brother, Robert Tesh, of Wilmington, Delaware; a sister, Mrs. A. H. Croup, of Erie; and another sister, Miss Sara C. Tesh, who is a teacher in Pittsburgh Public Schools.

ALEXANDER SILVERMAN

RECENT DEATHS

GEORGE LEROY GUILLETT, since 1924 associate professor of mechanical engineering at Pennsylvania State College, died on September 18. He formerly taught at McGill and Queen's Universities in Canada.

DR. WALTER HUGHSON, associate in otology in the Graduate School of Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania, died on September 13 at the age of fifty-three years.

DR. WALTER SAVAGE LANDIS, vice-president of the American Cyanamid Company, died on September 15 at the age of sixty-three years.

SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

THE SUMMER MEETING OF THE AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY

THE fiftieth summer meeting of the American Mathematical Society was held at Wellesley College on August 13 and 14, in conjunction with meetings of the Mathematical Association of America and the Institute of Mathematical Statistics. The attendance was about three hundred, including two hundred and thirty-two members of the society. Rooms in the dormitories of the college and the Tower Court cafeteria were made available to the members of the three organizations, their families and guests.

The twenty-sixth colloquium was given by Professor Einar Hille, of Yale University. It consisted of a series of four lectures on "Selected Topics in the Theory of Semi-groups."

Professor C. C. MacDuffee, of the University of Wisconsin, gave an address by invitation "On the Composition of Algebraic Forms of Higher Degree."

Seventy-seven research papers were presented—twenty-seven in person and fifty by title. The society and the institute held a joint session for contributed papers on mathematical statistics.

At a dinner held on Sunday evening, Professor D. V. Widder was toastmaster. An address of welcome was given by Captain Mildred H. McAfee, U.S.N.R., president of Wellesley College, and an address, "American Mathematics in the Present War," by Professor Marshall Stone, president of the society. Professor J. S. Frame, on behalf of the three organizations meeting at Wellesley, presented a resolution of thanks to President McAfee, the local committee and all who assisted them for their excellent arrangements and cordial hospitality.

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THE following communication has been addressed to members of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology.

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